

SAYS AMERICA MUST STOP FILIBUSTERING

Havana Paper Doubts Professed Friendship for Spain.

CONSERVATIVES MAKE A ROW

Deaths from Starvation Are Numerous Every Day on the Island.

SICK ARE DYING ON THE STREETS

Marshal Blanco's Appointments Are Meeting with Decided Opposition.

Havana, via Key West, Fla., November 21.—La Lucha, in a recently published editorial, expresses doubt as to the sincerity of the friendship for Spain professed by the American government, and adds:

"If the American government cannot prevent the selling from the part of the country of exiles in Cuba, it is not the country of exiles, and does not respond in other ways to Spain's efforts to maintain friendly relations with America."

Reports from Matanzas say the conservative having become national at the end in the government's policy, are disturbing public order. Ex-Mayor Crespo initiated the disorderly conduct by publicly giving offense to Senor Sagasta, the "civil governor of the province. The chief of police followed Senor Crespo's lead by endeavoring to prevent aid being given to the suffering reconquered by newspaper correspondents and others. Of the reconquered in Matanzas, numbering less than 50,000, seventy-nine died in two days, thirty-seven per cent from hunger. Yesterday seventeen deaths were reported, a large proportion of which were the result of starvation. In Jaruco, about 60 per cent of the deaths are caused by starvation, and the same is true of the other provinces. Owing to the lack of proper clothing and blankets, the situation of the reconquered is becoming worse as the winter season approaches, despite the efforts made to relieve them.

Horrible episodes are of daily occurrence among the reconquered. After being for three days upon the sidewalk in front of a house in Matanzas, a poor negro woman, who was suffering terribly and was unable to move, was carried away by a flood caused by the rain. A short time afterwards her dead body was discovered a few blocks away, and at last reports was still lying in the gutter.

A cab driver who was carrying a sick man to a hospital, observing that his passenger was dying, dragged him from the cab, leaving him on the curb, where he finally died. Cases similar to these are of frequent occurrence.

Reports from Candelaria say a man who was suffering from smallpox was driven by the authorities into the insurgent camp at Candelaria Negro, Pinar del Rio province, where threats were made to hang the man if he was not cured.

On Wednesday evening the remaining caneleros on the plantation Portugete, owned by Dr. Calvo, were destroyed by fire.

Marshal Blanco has appointed thirty-four new employees at the customhouse. Of these five are native Cubans, and the remainder Spaniards and reformists. The Spaniards are greatly disgusted by these appointments.

Sixty persons employed about the docks and 800 others in the insurgent camp at Pinar del Rio have joined the revolutionists, and a number of prisoners at Guines, who were pardoned under the recent proclamation, have returned to the insurgent camp.

Smallpox is ravaging the neighborhood of the insurgent headquarters in Pinar del Rio, and there are in the hospitals in the hills 1,700 persons suffering from the disease.

It is stated by a prominent resident of Pinar del Rio, according to an official report, that there are only 1,300 armed insurgents in the province, including the bands which have recently entered the province under Mania Rodriguez and other leaders.

General Hernandez Velasco confirms the statement that the insurgent camp at Pinar del Rio are abundantly supplied with ammunition. Seventy of General Velasco's men have arrived at Pinar del Rio suffering from wounds received in recent engagements. The financial situation of the military administration is bad. The soldiers have not been paid in eight months. There is a scarcity in the meat supply for the hospitals, and in many towns no meat has been obtainable for many days.

Charles Schrapro appeared at the festivities armed with a revolver, and shot Louis Lieberman in the abdomen, inflicting a wound from which Lieberman died shortly afterwards. The assassin killed Lieberman's son, Meyer, had not two detectives arrived in time to save him. Schrapro was arrested.

A band of insurgents recently fired on the town of San Nicolas, in Havana province. Rio Rico, province of Havana, reports that a fresh band of insurgents, well armed and equipped, have appeared in that vicinity. The leader of the band is not known.

The police recently visited the house of George W. Hyatt, chief of the relief department of the United States consulate, at 12 o'clock at night, to make inquiry as to the destination of a quantity of food which had been taken into the house during the day. The female inmates, becoming frightened, refused to open the doors, and insisted upon being informed of the object of the officers' visit. The police finally retired upon learning that the inmates were Americans.

The insurgents, it is reported, have captured 120 mules from the Consolacion del Sur government reservation.

A dispatch from Madrid says that Senor Gilega, deputy to the Spanish parliament, leader of the new autonomists, is on his way to Cuba, where he will enter the autonomist party upon condition that Senor Montero, Fernandez de Castro, Cueto and Zayas leave the board of directors of the party. It being asserted that they are pronounced Spanish to succeed in inducing the insurgents to accept autonomy under their leadership, Senor Gilega will remain chairman of the party.

MADRID EDITOR IS IN CUBA.
Senor Canalejas Confers with Leading Autonomists.

Havana, November 21.—Senor Jose Canalejas y Mendez, editor of El Heraldo de Madrid, one of the country's best newspapers, and former cabinet minister, immediately after his arrival here to study the conditions of the island, visited the author-

ities. Later he was entertained at a banquet, and afterwards had many conversations with leading representatives of the various parties. He has advised the conservatives to acknowledge the good faith of the government's intentions and declarations with reference to the new regime.

Last night Senor Canalejas exchanged views with the autonomists. The conference was largely attended, and the proceedings were of the most cordial character. Senor Gilega, the president of the autonomist party, traced the history of the autonomist party and the persecution it had received for its loyalty to its principles. He said he had not been a partisan of General Weyler's political or military policy. He professed to believe in the justice of the cause, and he believed he had received the gratitude when General Weyler released the imprisoned autonomists. In his opinion, signs of favorable reaction were now evident, and he believed the establishment of the new regime would lead to a thorough reorganization of the autonomist party as soon as sufficient guarantees were offered for the establishment of the new regime. The autonomist party would then demonstrate its importance and influence. Senor Gilega indicated that the conference of Captain General Blanco thus far met his high approval.

Senor Gilega and Senor Canalejas agree in making a national economic policy confronting the country would be best solved by autonomy, but the study of this question is rendered additionally difficult by the lack of statistics and data necessary to prepare a definite scheme of solution.

El Pais, the autonomist organ, says today that the evident conviction of Senor Canalejas is not inconsistent with the promises of Senor Sagasta. It considers the action of Senor Canalejas in coming here as a sign of the new spirit of patriotism and intellectual gifts, and expresses the hope that he will soon visit other parts of the island. This visit, it is believed, will bring with the province of Pinar del Rio. He will accompany the Spanish columns in their operations.

CUBAN CONSERVATIVE TALKS.
Marquis, Returning from Spain, Discusses United States.

New York, November 21.—Marquis Apeztegui, leader of the conservative party in Cuba, returned today from his trip to Spain. He spoke very guardedly of the Cuban war and Spain's attitude toward the United States.

"It seems," he said, "as though the United States is hostile to Spain, though perhaps it is not meant to be so."

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GIBSON'S WOMAN MAY PROVE FATAL

Man Shot by Sharpston Was Very Low Yesterday.

CONDITION GREW PRECARIOUS

Rallied in the Afternoon and Seemed Some Better.

MRS. SHARPSTON WOULD NOT TALK
She Visited Her Husband, but Would Not Answer the Questions of Newspaper Men.

Will Sharpston may yet be tried on the charge of murder. Yesterday the victim of his anger, Ralph Gibson, began to sink rapidly, and several times it was thought that he was dying. His condition improved during the day, until 4 o'clock in the afternoon, when he rallied somewhat.

Later last night his condition was unchanged, but the physicians are still with him, and are doing everything possible to save his life. Henry Joiner, who was accidentally shot by Sharpston, is doing very well, and the physicians have strong hopes for his recovery.

Neither of the two men are allowed to talk of the affair, it being deemed best by the physicians attempting them to keep them free from all excitement. It is learned, however, that Gibson denies that he was too much in the company of Mrs. Sharpston. He has said that he is the victim of Sharpston's jealousy, and is perfectly innocent of any intention to do wrong.

Will Sharpston remains firm in his first statement. He says that he repeatedly warned Gibson to keep away from Mrs. Sharpston, as he did not think him a fit man to be seen on the streets with his wife. Sharpston says that Mrs. Sharpston tried on several occasions to free herself from the attentions of Gibson, but that the man was not to be shaken off, and continued to see her company.

Had Her Discharged.
He said that the day he went to the manager of the Exposition Mills and asked him to discharge his wife, Gibson called him and asked what he meant by having him discharged. Sharpston says that he replied that it was none of his business, and in the presence of witnesses told him furthermore that he did not wish him to speak to either him or his wife again.

Gibson, according to the statement of Sharpston, attempted to get his hand into his pocket, when Sharpston drew a pistol and fired. Sharpston says that he fired only once, and that the bullet entered Gibson's back, near the shoulder blade. Sharpston says that he fired only once, and that the bullet entered Gibson's back, near the shoulder blade.

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WISWALL'S INJURIES

Boston Man Passed Away at the Hospital This Morning.

HE WAS INJURED BY A FALL

Was Operated Upon, but Continued to Sink Rapidly.

NOW THE ACCIDENT OCCURRED
It Was Thought That He Was Taking a Midnight Walk and That He Fell Accidentally.

Mr. H. Wiswall, the Boston capitalist who was injured by a fall last week, died at the Grady hospital this morning shortly after 12 o'clock.

His body will be prepared for burial and will be sent to his home in Boston on the board of the Boston & Maine.

The tramping of the skull of Mr. Wiswall resulted for a time in his improvement, but yesterday he began to sink, and early this morning he passed away.

Pale and wasted he lay on his bed in the hospital yesterday sinking rapidly all the time while the physicians and nurses turned about reaching the first light, but he never recovered his mind sufficiently to give an account of the accident which ended his life. All that is known by the physicians at the hospital is what was told the morning after the finding of Wiswall as he lay in an unconscious condition at the scene of the accident.

H. Wiswall was from Boston, where he was engaged in business and was very well known. He was interested in a cotton mill at West Point, N. H., and frequently visited that section of the country in order to overlook his interests. It was one of these periodical visits that brought him to Georgia some weeks ago.

He was in the city, where he was well known, having stopped there many times before. Several nights ago he started for a walk, and came down Peachtree street as far as the Grand building, and evidently intended stepping into Peter's drug store.

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consistent. A man may be a church member for secular interest—for what he can get out of it socially, financially and politically; but that is not Christianity, and is no argument against its virtue and power. Christianity is a life and unless a man is a better citizen by his Christian religion, it is not the fault of the religion. His neighbors should be able to mark the fracture in his character. He should

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Administratrix's Sale.

By virtue of an order of the court of ordinary of Fulton county, Georgia, granted at the November term, 1897, will be sold before the courthouse door of said county, on the first Tuesday in December, 1897, the following real estate, to-wit: A tract or parcel of land containing sixteen acres more or less, situate, lying and being in the northern part of the quarter of land lot two hundred and sixteen (216) of the 11th district of the original Henry, now said county of Fulton. Bounded on the north by land lot 215, on the east by property of C. E. Burris, on the south by said town road, and on the west by land lot 225. Sold for the purpose of paying debts of said estate.

Terms—\$50 cash, \$50 in twelve months, balance in annual installments of \$150 each, to be paid by the purchaser bearing interest at the rate of 8 per cent per annum to maturity, and 5 per cent per annum after maturity. All said notes to mature instantan on 30 days' default in prompt payment of any previous payments and improvements to be forfeited as rent and purchaser to be a tenant holding over and subject to immediate eviction by any summary process. Bond for title to be given on compliance by purchaser with terms of sale.

MRS. S. S. ALEXANDER, Administratrix of Estate of J. A. Alexander, deceased.

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Notice to Debtors and Creditors.

All creditors of the estate of Mrs. Anna Bender, late of Fulton county, deceased, are hereby notified to render in their demands to the undersigned according to law, and all persons indebted to said estate are required to make immediate payment. Atlanta, Ga., November 5, 1897.

A. L. KONTZ, Administrator of Estate of Anna Bender. nov5-21-mon

G. W. ADAIR - AUCTIONEER

Administrator's Sale

GEORGIA, FULTON COUNTY.—By virtue of an order of the court of ordinary of Fulton county, granted at the July term, 1897, will be sold before the courthouse door of said county, on the first Tuesday in December, 1897, within the legal limits of the following property of Mrs. William Bender, deceased, to-wit: A certain state acre parcel, fronting on Hunter street six (6) inches, more or less, and situated between the city of Atlanta, Georgia, and the city of Marietta, Georgia, and being partly of city lots conveyed to the same by James Caplan, September 1, 1897, and subsequently by N. E. Gardner to William Bender by deed dated January 1, 1898. The portion of said lot being said estate being the eastern, and situated between the land formerly known as the "Peters Property" on the east, and now owned by the same party, and which is situated the newer part of the city of Atlanta, Georgia, occupied by William Bender.

Sold for the purpose of the payment of the indebtedness of said estate and for distribution. Terms—One-half cash, and balance in six months, with interest at 10 per cent, or all cash, at option of the purchaser.

A. L. KONTZ, Administrator Estate Mrs. Anna Bender. nov5-41-mon

Milledgeville, Ga., November 13, 1897.

Sealed bids will be received by the undersigned for the logistic system of repairing the negro building recently destroyed by fire, until ten o'clock on Thursday, November 20th, 1897. At about noon, sealed and stamped bids will be opened and the contract awarded to chairman by 12 o'clock. Specifications and plans may be seen and specifications will be on file at the asylum on and after November 20th, for inspection.

G. A. CAPANISI, Sec'y.

T. M. HUNT, Secretary To Com. nov13-21-mon

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Impressive Exercises at Church of Sacred Heart Yesterday.

GREAT THROG WAS PRESENT Bishop Becker, of Savannah, Conducted the Ceremony.

HE DELIVERED AN ELOQUENT ADDRESS Gave Interesting Account of the Significance of the Occasion—How the Stone Was Laid.

When Atlanta posterity, hundreds of years later, perchance shall open the corner stone of the Church of the Sacred Heart, they will find an interesting history there of the city and of the people, of the growth of the world of politics, religion, society, commerce, people. The little corner stone deposited and securely sealed in the heart of the city yesterday afternoon contains all this. It is the closely hidden secret, the message which this century will hand down to the next in this sacred spot of the city of Atlanta, which was the cornerstone. And if the next generation could have seen that vast throng that assembled there to send this message, if they could have heard that soul-stirring music, if they could have seen the venerable bishop as he tenderly deposited the little stone in its resting place, they would have marveled perhaps at what manner of men we are.

It was a beautiful ceremony. The message seemed to have been chartered with Nature's benediction, for the day was perfect. Hundreds of people were there—Catholics and Protestants. The services were conducted according to the Catholic ritual, and were exceedingly impressive. The special choir, consisting of twelve male voices, especially trained for the occasion, rendered beautiful selections, adding much to the impressiveness of the occasion. The choir boys were there, too, in their white surplices, the local Catholic clergy and all dignitaries of the Catholic church in Atlanta. The Honorable Rites, under command of Captain W. D. Ellis, turned out in honor of the occasion, as well as a large delegation from the Order of Catholic Knights of America.

Bishop Becker, head of the Catholic church in Georgia, had charge of the service. He delivered a short address, explaining the significance of the occasion and the ceremony was based on religious manifestations. He is an eloquent and exceedingly forceful speaker, and the large audience listened eagerly to his discourse.

This was the first public demonstration of the Marist Fathers who have set foot on the soil for some time. Although the coming was not hailed with delight by the clergy of the old church here, yet all sectional animosities have been swept away, for all the Catholics in Atlanta, priests and church members, united in the ceremony yesterday. Father Basin, of the Church of the Immaculate Conception, and his assistant, Father Shadwell; Father Gibbons, of the Society of Mary, who will have charge of the new church when completed, and his assistant, Father Guinan, were there to aid in the establishment of the new church. Rev. August Reis, S.M., Rev. R. F. Kennedy and Rev. Joseph P. Colbert also assisted.

Great Throng Was Present. The hour was set at 3 o'clock. Long before that time thousands of people began to arrive and secure advantageous positions among the rough timber and pillars of the new edifice, only the first story of which has been erected. The corner stone is situated in the northwest end of the building near the front entrance overlooking the city. A small white cross was placed to reserve a spot for the bishop and the priests. At 3 o'clock the building and the street in front were crowded with people, and many stood on the rafters above and on the porches of adjoining dwellings to secure a view of the proceedings.

The floor of the church was laid with rough boards. In the east end was a small white cross indicating the spot where the altar is to be erected, and also showing that the place has been claimed for the service of God. In front of the cross was the organ and the choir. The Hibernians were assigned to positions around the platform, with the Catholic Knights of America in their rear.

The choir began the sweet strains of "Veni Sanctus Spiritus," and the procession moved slowly down the center of the church in an imaginary aisle lined with people, boys with their white surplices; then the priests with their vestments and golden rods, the bishop, bedecked in his royal purple, his high mitre and carrying his crozier, the emblem of his office. The chorister boys encircled the cross, and Bishop Becker stood upon the platform. A hush fell over the vast throng when he began speaking. First his voice was low and inaudible, but he gradually gained strength until he could be distinctly heard in all parts of the building.

Bishop Becker Speaks. The bishop spoke as follows on the subject: "My house shall be called a house of prayer." The ceremony in which we are engaged today is based on the religious man, yet it is one which Almighty God has pleased to make from time to time, in different places.

And diverse manners of His glory. And in the holy scriptures, the place of worship is called to us by the only sure testimony. It is through the church, the temple, the oracles of God, and that we have them in their genuineness and integrity. "We are informed of localities chosen for such honor. In sequence, an altar was erected on it was offered a victim or oblation, and this was invariably done by one set apart as priest for God's service. These three things, an altar, a victim and a priest were correlative, so that the shroud of death was a proverb. If there be altars, there must be victims; and if there be victims, there must be a priest; and finally, true to the logical mind, they drew the inevitable inference: If these three things exist, then there must be God to be adored. In short, there never was a nation, however barbarous, without these essential elements of a reasoning mind. Now, when the patriarchs and prophets of old made manifest to the tender care of the Almighty for His chosen people, they at once built an altar, called His name, and then followed the usual winning ways with loving names, the house of the Lord, the place of the showing forth of His glory, the place of His worship, and they proceeded immediately to that which was the most important of all, the offering of the victim, and the pouring out of the blood, as both sacred and profane history testifies, was the one essential act of religion. In the history of the world, the sense of religion? Hence the memorial stone, subsequently an altar, was invariably the first thing to be erected. It was the sole use and behoof of the Lord, and even the locality became the house of God, the house of heaven, not a profane place of meeting, but the house of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth. Thus the Catholic church is the place of prayer, of the communion of the faithful on earth with those in heaven, and for holiest and loftiest sentiments of the soul of man.

"We know from the same Catholic scriptures the singular superiority which Melchisedech had beyond even the patriarch Abraham to whom God had promised the Messiah as a descendant. How the latter bowed down before Melchisedech because he was the priest of the Most High God, Genesis xiv. How he paid to Him tithes as to his superior, and in his capacity of unquestioned friend of the Almighty, yet joined humbly in the sacrifice which the Patriarch is but an adaptation. Henceforth, said, in speaking of our Lord and Saviour: "The Lord hath sworn and it shall never be denied him: 'Thou art a priest forever, according to the order of Melchisedech.'"

"Now, the Lord fulfilled this, which he performed the only act which inspired Him to allude to Melchisedech in regard to the priesthood. In nothing else during His whole life is He called or spoken of as the priest of the Most High God, or as the priest of the New Testament in my blood, which shall be shed for you, and for many in remission of sins. "Here we see the true altar, victim and offering—our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. Here the arch which spans the firmament from the old and figurative testament to the new, and the eternal truth, the Church Catholic. The latter is the completion of the former, the fulfillment of the promise, the eternal truth, the singularly carnal and bloody sacrifice of the Lord Jesus Christ, who is the perfect sacrifice of the cross, once for all; whilst the Lord of heaven gives up His spirit, and returns to His Father, and comes down from heaven, as the staff of life, and is perpetually found in the Catholic church, the temple of prayer and of the offering of Christ's precious redemption to the world, the divine life, the true altar, a perfect victim, our Lord Himself, and a true priesthood acting as vicars and set apart for their noble vocation.

The prayer of our Lord for unity and oneness of the church, which was fulfilled, then shall be one fold, and one shepherd. You can aid with willing minds in the work which is to be done in diversity; it must be done by prayer, and by the offering of the sacrifice of the cross, by you can advance the cause of Christ by aiding in the erection of this church in the heart of the city of Atlanta.

TAXES TOO HIGH FOR THE ROADS

Companies Asks the Courts to Grant Them Some Relief.

VALUATIONS \$60,000 PER MILE This Is Probably More Than the Capitalization Per Mile.

THE NEW ASSESSMENT IS ATTACKED Tennessee Leads All States in Taxing Rail Lines—Excessive Valuations Fortunate for Companies.

The railroads of Tennessee are preparing to make a strong fight on the tax assessments fixed by the state's railroad commissioners. For many years the railroads have been making a moderate increase in the valuations, jumped up just about double. For instance, the main stem of the Louisville and Nashville is assessed at \$60,000 a mile. It had been \$30,000 a mile in 1890, and \$40,000 a mile in 1895. A road which is assessed in Alabama at \$15,000 a mile is assessed in Tennessee at \$40,000 a mile. Valuations of that kind can usually be turned down.

The railroads were a political issue in Tennessee and the politicians who were fighting them stuck the knife in deep. They went too far and their work will probably be undone. The roads have filed a bill at Nashville in the courts asking the state to reduce the valuations. The following is an interesting extract from the bill: "The uncontradicted record in the proof shows that the highest average assessment per mile in twenty-five states is: Alabama, Arkansas, Arizona, California, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Illinois, Kentucky, Kansas, Louisiana, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, North Carolina, South Carolina, Texas, Tennessee, Virginia, Wyoming, Washington is that in Tennessee, which is over \$20,000 a mile. The average assessment in Tennessee is about equal to the average assessment per mile in fifteen of the said states. That is to say, the average value placed by the board of equalizers upon the railroads per mile in Tennessee is as much greater than the average value in the next highest state by about the full amount of the average value per mile at which railroads are assessed in fifteen of the said states."

"The highest assessment of any road per mile, in all of said states, is that of the Louisville and Nashville main stem, \$60,000. The next highest value is in Virginia, the amount being \$30,000, just one-third of that put by the equalizers on the Louisville and Nashville main stem. The next highest value is in Alabama, where the assessment is \$20,000 per mile. The Tennessee portion of said road is assessed by the equalizers at \$40,000 per mile."

"In Tennessee \$4.04 miles are valued at approximately \$60,000. "In Illinois 15,383 miles are valued at \$75,624.32. "In Virginia 2,491 miles are valued at \$48,671.27. "In North Carolina 3,701 miles are valued at \$33,383.80. "In Kentucky 3,045 miles are valued at \$48,428.87. "In Georgia 5,340 miles are valued at \$30,617.58."

"The valuations made by the said equalizers of those lines in Tennessee is vastly out of proportion to the value of the same roads in other states. The assessment made in Tennessee, the assessment of the same road in adjacent states and the assessment made in all other states in the south and west. "The average value per mile of assessment of railroad property in Tennessee, as made by said equalizers, is over \$20,000. 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